

# Yr11 Careers and Destinations

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# Student Destinations



The poster features a large, stylized yellow cross sculpture in the background, set against a modern school building. The text is arranged in a clear, hierarchical manner, starting with the school's name and contact details at the top, followed by the event title in large, bold letters. Below this, the date and time are specified, along with a note about presentations by the Sixth Form Team. A list of bullet points highlights the school's offerings, and a small inset photo shows a group of students and staff. The bottom left corner features the 'initio Learning Trust' logo, and the bottom right corner displays the 'OFSTED OUTSTANDING' badge.

Queen Elizabeth's **QE**  
01202 885233. [www.queenelizabeths.com](http://www.queenelizabeths.com)  
Wimborne Minster, Dorset, BH214DT

**You are warmly invited to  
attend our Sixth Form  
Open Evening**

Thursday 9 November 2023 -  
5pm-7pm with presentations by  
Sixth Form Team at 6.00pm

Preparing you for the  
destination you want

- Every student has a personalised  
academic programme that suits their  
future destination
- Every student experiences a variety of  
enrichment
- Every student develops leadership  
qualities and makes a positive  
contribution to the wider school  
community

Over 30 A level and  
10 Vocational  
subjects offered

OFSTED  
OUTSTANDING

## QE Sixth Form Open Evening

Thursday 9th November-  
5pm-7pm

All subjects represented and  
outlined

Careers and Destinations explored

Application process outlined

Chance to meet subject leaders and  
sixth form students

Opportunity to tour Sixth form  
facilities

# Student options after GCSE's

## Sixth form

Students can apply to QE sixth form or another sixth form in their local area.

Traditionally sixth forms offer students the opportunity to study A level subjects and although every provider differs, they usually require students to have achieved a grade 5 or above in five of their GCSE subjects in order to secure a place.



<https://www.queenelizabeths.com/page/?title=Prospectus+and+Admissions&pid=51>





# Apprenticeships



- An apprenticeship is like a full time job.
- Full time work (min 30 hours per week) - one day set aside for learning.
- Paid - min £5.28 per hour
- Different levels of apprenticeship - going right up to level 7 (Masters).
- Min age: 16 years (no max age)
- Growing in popularity with students and employers.
- Students can gain a professional qualification whilst earning & gain practical experience.
- Employers - they can 'home grow' their workforce plus take advantage of the apprenticeship levy (like an apprenticeship tax).



# How can students apply for an apprenticeship?



- There is no one central place to find apprenticeship vacancies
- It is like applying for any job, you have to search for vacancies, apply, attend an interview and then wait to see if successful.
- Government website is a good place to start.
- Search employer websites.
- Contact companies directly on a speculative basis.
- Use apprenticeship search tools - unifrog has a good one.

# College

Our local colleges are:

Bournemouth & Poole College

Brockenhurst College

Kingston Maurward College

Wiltshire College (inc Salisbury College)

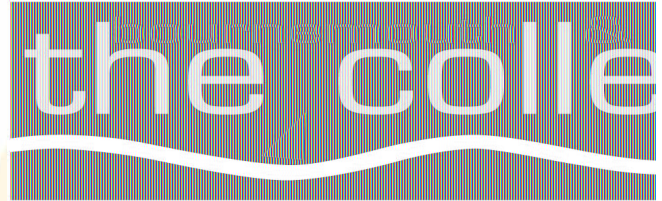


# Bournemouth & Poole College

Offer BTEC's, Apprenticeships & the new T level qualifications (please note they do not offer A level qualifications any more).

Subject areas are: Psychology, Criminology & Law, Art & Design, Automotive, Business & Accounting, Construction, Digital & Computing, Engineering, Sport, Hair & Beauty, Health & Social Care & Early Years, Hospitality & Catering, Media, Music, Performing Arts, Science, Travel & Tourism, Uniformed Public Services.

NB. Unlike sixth form, all colleges cater for students of all learning abilities (they can offer courses for students who have no GCSE qualifications if required)





# Brockenhurst College



This college is in the New Forest, however buses do run from Wimborne, Verwood, West Moors and surrounding areas (its an hour long bus ride from Wimborne).

Subject areas: Same as Bmth & Poole College, however Brockenhurst College do also offer A levels in most subjects.

T level: Health & Social Care T level is available.



# Kingston Maurward College



- This college is in Dorchester and is a land based college specializing in courses related to agriculture, animal care, wildlife, conservation, outdoor adventure, public services, sport & Travel & Tourism.
- Kingston Maurward does not offer A level study for students.
- Buses from Verwood (just under 2 hrs), Wimborne (1 ¼ hours) & Sturminster Marshall (30mins)



# Wiltshire College



This college is split into four campuses - Trowbridge, Chippenham, Lackham & Salisbury.  
A small handful of our students go to Salisbury College  
Subject areas: Agriculture, Animal, Art & Design, Automotive Maintenance, Catering & hospitality, Engineering, IT, Construction & Trades, Countryside, Criminology.  
These colleges do not offer A level qualifications.



# T-LEVELS

## THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION



T Levels serve as an alternative to other post-16 study options and a qualification represents the equivalent of three A-Levels. They offer a mixture of classroom learning and 'on-the-job' experience through an industry placement, lasting at least 45 days (approx 80% time spent in the classroom with the remaining 20% spent on a work placement). This differs from an Apprenticeship where around 80% of time is spent with an employer and 20% in the classroom and is more suited to those who feel ready to enter the workforce at age 16 while learning at the same time.

### Local providers who offer T levels:

Ferndown Upper School - IT/Computing & Childcare

Bmth & Poole College - Digital & Computing, Construction & Childcare

Brockenhurst College - Education & Childcare

Kingston Maurward - None yet, will be offering soon.



# Dorset- Careers Insight

<https://www.dorsetlep.co.uk/latest-insights>

<https://www.dorsetlep.co.uk/key-industry-dashboards>

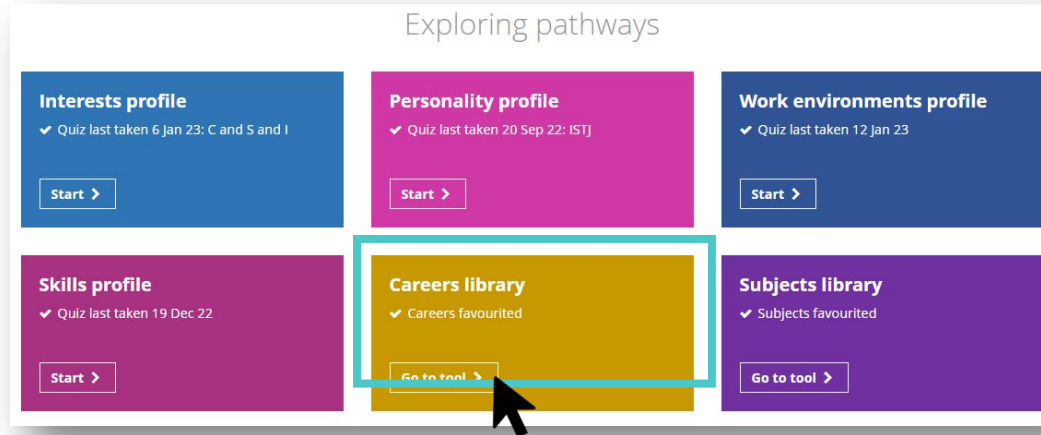
Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership provides an understanding of labour market trends within the county.

The Careers and Enterprise company provide schools and colleges with regular updates on employment trends, and our close networking with employers supports our understanding of what skills and qualifications employers are looking for.



# The Unifrog Careers library tool

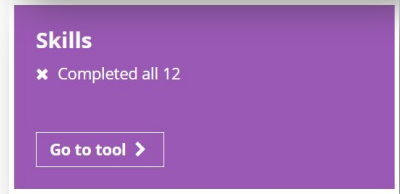
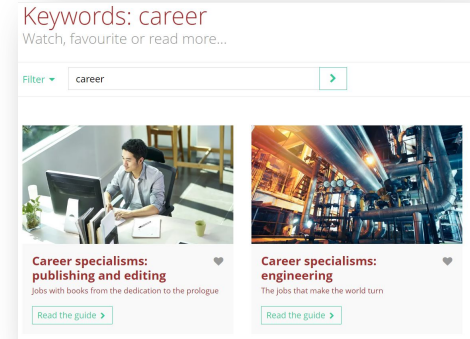
After this lesson, if you want to browse careers related to your interests, you can log in to your Unifrog account and open the Careers library tool.



# Finding out more about careers- Unifrog

If you want to find out more about careers you can use the **Know-how library** tool and search 'career'. You can read guides on lots of different career specialisms.

You can also keep track of things you're doing to support your career journey, such as you activities, achievements and skills. Visit the **Activities tool** and **Skills tool** on your Unifrog homepage.





## Welcome Student' *to the Complete Destinations Platform*

### What is unifrog?

Unifrog is an award-winning, online careers platform designed to support students in making informed decisions about their futures. Unifrog has a range of tools that are suitable for all year groups. You have a personal account that provides you with a wide range of information related to your interests and aspirations. Key features of the platform include:

- **Exploring Pathways** – personality quizzes, career and subject profiles, MOOCs and webinars
- **Recording** – self-reflection about extracurricular activities and key employability skills
- **Opportunities** – search tools showing live vacancies/courses/placements for apprenticeships, universities (in the UK and abroad), FE, virtual work experience and much more
- **Applications** – tools to help you build applications for a range of pathways (e.g., CVs, Personal Statements, Common App Essays)

**To find out more** enter the following web address in your browser <https://tinyurl.com/Parent-Introduction> or access via the QR Code to watch a 3 minute video



### Students Getting Started - Logging on

- Open the Unifrog Webpage  
[www.unifrog.org](http://www.unifrog.org)
- Enter the student's school email address in the username. ie  
Numbersurnamefirstname@queenelizabeths.com
- Type in the temporary password: **QESchool**.
- You will then be prompted to change your Password

### Parent Log on

We have also set up a Unifrog log on for your parents/carer giving them the opportunity to be a student too. This can be accessed by entering the following access code on the home page at [www.unifrog.org](http://www.unifrog.org) **QUELparents**.

The screenshot shows the Unifrog login interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'unifrog', 'ABOUT', 'BLOG', and 'IN'. Below this is a 'Sign in' section. It contains two input fields: the first is for the email address, with the example '19blogs.Joe@queenelizabeths.com' entered; the second is for the password, with 'QESchool' entered. A green 'Sign in' button is located below the password field. At the bottom of the sign-in section, there are links for 'Reset password' and 'Request welcome email'.